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HIGH LIFE SCANDAL.

Mrs. Drayton of the Astor Family Granted a Divorce After a long Drawn-Out Scandal.

TRENTON, N. J., March 23.—Chancellor McGill this morning filed a decree of absolute divorce for Charlotte Augusta Drayton from J. Colon Drayton, on the grounds of desertion.

This is the end of another famous New York scandal in high life, Mrs. Drayton being an Astor before her marriage, and all parties concerned being wealthy. The case has been public gossip for months.

Chancellor McGill says "It is impossible to escape the conviction that the defendant's suspicion of his wife's infidelity is not destitute of foundation in questionable circumstances at least, but I fail to find judical precedent which holds that a husband may with impunity be guilty of desertion of a wife merely because he believes her, even under gravely suspicious conditions, guilty of adultery." Desertion Chancellor McGill holds, is justified only when shown by clear and satisfactory proof that the deserting party has been offended against as to authorize in the instance a decree of divorce or judicial separation.

The Chancellor finds no collusion between the husband and wife to secure a divorce and says the fact that both desired a divorce does not constitute collusion but there must be agreement. The Chancellor states Mrs. Drayton's good faith in attempting a reconciliation but she was rejected. Mr. Drayton began proceedings in June 1891, alleging adultery which his wife denied, and charged desertion. Answering her complaint Drayton simply denied desertion not charging infidelity.

BOSTON BOAT AGROUND.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]

BOSTON, March 23.—While proceeding to Burnham wharf this morning the steamer Shawmut was stuck in the mud in New England railroad draw. All traffic is blocked and the passengers had to be transferred. It is hoped to float the vessel at high water this evening.

By Telegraph
3.00 O'CLOCK.

MORTON SIGNS IT.

The Raines Liquor Bill Became a Law at Noon Today With Morton's Signature.

END OF A LONG FIGHT.

LENGTHY STATEMENT OF REASONS WHY NEW YORK'S GOVERNOR BELIEVES IN THE NEW LAW.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]

ALBANY, N. Y., March 23.—The long and bitter struggle over the Raines liquor bill is ended. At noon today Governor Morton signed the bill.

With his signature he filed a lengthy memorandum, reviewing the defects of the present excise law with its many local excise boards, and points out why he believes the Raines bill will be a benefit to all concerned with the liquor business.

The governor takes the view that the Raines law is constitutional, and does not, as expected, make suggestions as to supplemental legislation.

In concluding his remarks on signing the bill Governor Morton merely says: "It has been suggested that some features of the bill should be amended, especially in the administrative provisions. Experience will probably suggest other needed amendments."

The governor's signing the bill has brought to an end the longest and most hotly contested legislative struggle of years in New York state. Mr. Platt has been the power back of the law. Both parties are divided on the issue as is the press of both parties.

The new law brings the control of all the liquor business directly under state management with all the excise officers state officers or responsible to the state. It will decrease the saloons almost half in number and increase the revenue from liquors.

A JUDGE GETS FURIOUS.

Seizes a Prisoner in a Connecticut Court, Shakes Him and Then Throws Him Out of Doors.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]

WATERBURY, Conn., March 23.—Michael Russell, a saloon keeper was fined and sentenced to three months in jail this morning by Judge Cowell for violating the Sunday law. At the conclusion of the trial Russell shouted that justice could not be obtained in Cowell's court. Judge then jumped from his seat, grabbed Russell, shook him, dragged him about the room and finally threw him out of doors.

AMERICAN IRON IN ENGLAND.

Report of a Heavy Sale of American Iron that is Creating a Great Deal of Comment in England.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]

LONDON, March 23.—Much interest is manifested in commercial circles at the announcement of a big iron firm's extensive purchase of Alabama pig iron. Iron and coal trade review says England is threatened by an invasion of American pig iron. This is one of the most serious blows to Great Britain's supremacy as a manufacturing nation.

A BIG ROBBERY.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]

BALTIMORE, MD., March 23d.—H. R. Kendall employed by the J. P. Morgan company, reported to the police that a satchel containing $20,000 of securities, was stolen from him on the Baltimore and Ohio train after leaving Washington this morning. He placed the satchel on the rack over his head and fell asleep. When he awoke it was gone. Mr. Kendall notified the authorities and proceeded to New York.

LATE NEWS FROM CUBA.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]

HAVANA, March 23.—The insurgents have burned forty houses in the village of Punta Brava, and farm buildings at San Ramon. The insurgent bands are under the lead of Mena. Recently they attacked each other through mistake. Besides causing loss to both sides, it also engendered a bitter feeling between the two parties.

The report that the insurgents have hanged five peaceful laborers in the Remedios district, province of Santa Clara, is proved incorrect. A Santiago de Cuba dispatch says Baracoa authorities have obtained possession of three empty boats believed to have belonged to the steamer which recently landed a filibustering expedition.

CENTRAL VERMONT ROAD.

It Has Gone Into the Hands of Receivers as the Result of a Law Suit with the Grand Trunk.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]

BOSTON, March 23.—It is ascertained today in the equity suit of the Grand Trunk against the Central Vermont railroad for $615,712.45 of traffic balances accruing the past four months that two receivers have been appointed for the latter road. Application was made to Judge Wheeler of the Vermont District United States court Friday. The court names Charles Hays, General manager of the Grand Trunk and President Smith of the Vermont Central as receivers for the Vermont district.

Saturday auxiliary proceedings were commenced in the United States circuit court before Judge Nelson, who appointed the same receivers for the Massachusetts district, with bonds of $50,000.

THE BOY TRAIN WRECKERS.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]

ROME, N. Y., March 23.—Since the death of Bristol, one of the four boy train wreckers, the others have been depressed. They begin to realize the enormity of their crime. They no longer sing and joke in the corridors. Counsel Sailes has been to New York to see Mr. Hildreth. He will not disclose the result. It is believed here no jury will find the boys guilty of murder in the first degree.

NOTED AUTHOR DEAD.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]

LONDON, March 23.—Thos. Hughes author of "Ton Brown's School days," and other books, also the founder of the British settlement of Rugby, Tenn., which was unsuccesful, died today at the age of seventy-three years.

ENGLISH ADVANCING.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]

CAIRO, March 23.—News from the front confirms the report that the British advance guard occupied Ahasheh Friday without opposition. A fort is being built.

FINANCIAL.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]

NEW YORK, March 23.—The market opened with a better feeling than has existed for some days. The majority of the list experienced a rally of ½ to ¾ of a point, but realizing sales were put out and the market was not strong enough to support it.

Sugar opened at 116¼ sold to 117¼ then back to 116¼.

Tobacco rallied from 83½ to 84½ then sold off to 82½.

St. Paul sold dividend of 2 per cent today and lost ½ point. The market at 1 o'clock was dull but fairly steady. It bears the appearance of being oversold and a rally on the shorts may be looked for. Sales to noon 67,857.

At Chicago the grain market opened up from ¼ to ⅜ of a point higher than Saturday's close, but the bears took advantage of the small decrease in wheat and the large increase in corn and oats to hammer prices. Wheat was off one point, corn ¼ to ⅜ and oats the same. Provisions were weak. Pork sold off at 8.97 and lard at 5.22.

New York Market.

[Closing Quotations, 3 p. m.]

Received through the office of A. M. Tinker, Room 3, Blackinton block. Executes orders for stocks and bonds, deals upon New York Stock Exchange for cash or on margin. Private telephone 76.

American Cotton Oil	15
American Sugar	116 1-2
Atchison	14 3-4
American Tobacco	83 7-8
B. & O.	16 1-4
Canada Southern	
Central of New Jersey	104
Chesapeake & Ohio	
Hocking Valley	
Chicago & Northwestern	102 1-2
C. B. & Q.	73 5-8
Chicago Gas	65 1-2
St. Paul	74
Rock Island	69
Chicago, St. P., M. & O.	38
C. C. C. & St. L.	45 1-2
Con. Gas	150
Del. & Hud.	123 1-2
Del. & L. W.	161
Dis and C. Feed	17 1-4
Gen. Electric	35
Ill. Cen.	
Lake Shore	146 1-2
L. & Nash.	59 1-8
Manhattan Elevated	100 1-4
M. K. & T. Com.	
M. K. & T. Pref.	24 3-4
Missouri Pacific	22 7-8
National Lead	20
New England	43
N. Y. Central	97
Erie	
Ont. & West	14
N. Y. Sus. & W., common	
" " pref.	24 1-2
No. Pacific pref	11 1-8
Pacific Mail	30 3-4
Phil & Reading	10
Pullman	
Southern Rail common	9 1-8
" " pref.	28 3-4
Ten. Coal & Iron	23 3-8
Texas Pacific	8
Union Pacific	6 1-2
U. S. Rubber	26 1-4
U. S. Leather common	
" " pref.	69 1-2
Wabash pref.	16 7-8
Western Union	83 1-8
Wheeling & Lake Erie	9 3-8

Chicago Markets.

Wheat—May 62 July 63⅞.
Corn—May 29⅝ July 30⅝.
Oats—May 19⅛ July 19⅞.
Pork—May 9.02 July
Lard—May 5.35.

Cotton.

	Opening.	Closing.
May.	7.63	7.62

By Telegraph
5.00 O'CLOCK.

ANOTHER SURPRISE.

Mills Introduces a New Resolution and Sherman Wants to Modify the Former One.

SEN. BLACKBURN'S RETURN.

THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS REPORTS THE BILL FOR SENATORIAL POPULAR ELECTIONS.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]

WASHINGTON, March 23.—The Cuban resolutions had another turn about today. Senator Sherman who has been a staunch advocate of the house resolutions as concurred in by the senate, gave notice this morning that he will move to recommit the Cuban resolutions to the conference committee.

This move can only be taken as one to bring about some further modification of the resolutions to meet the views of objecting senators.

As Senator Palmer had the floor Mr. Sherman could not secure immediate action.

At 2.35 o'clock Senator Mills introduced a joint resolution that the president request Spain to give local self-government to Cuba. In event of refusal, the president is authorized to take possession of Cuba, using military and naval forces, and hold it until the people of Cuba can establish a government.

Mr. Mills said he would speak on his resolutions tomorrow.

A resolution introduced by Senator Lodge was adopted empowering the civil service commission to investigate the administration of the civil service law at the government printing offices.

The house committee on elections today reported favorably on the Corliss bill providing for the election of United States senators by direct vote of the people. Last week the senate took like action, and this fact makes the house committee's action today of special importance.

Delegate Murphy of Arizona secured consent to the consideration of the senate bill authorizing the leasing of lands for educational purposes in Arizona. This modification of the bill was voted and passed over the veto by the house. The senate modified it to suit the objections of the executive. The bill passed the house.

Senator Blackburn's return to the senate today after the exciting and fruitless contest before the Kentucky legislature, was signalized by an unusual demonstration on the part of his colleagues. On his desk was the most elaborate floral design ever brought into the senate. It was twelve feet in height, representing the coat of arms of Kentucky. The center had two dolls with clasped hands, around which was the motto "United we stand, divided we fall." The whole was topped with spreading branches of American beauty roses.

A TERRIBLE EXPLOSION.

Eighteen Pennsylvania Miners Were Blown to Pieces This Forenoon By a Gas Explosion.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]

DUBOIS, Pa., March 23.—A terrific explosion of gas occurred here today at the White shaft and eighteen miners were killed. The mine is one a new company has been pushing headings in for big work later. This morning eighteen men went to the north heading and four to the south. At 10 o'clock the latter four were conscious of a shock, and hurried out, barely escaping suffocation. Assistance was summoned and the work of rescue begun. It was found the shock at the north heading was so terrific that some of the bodies were blown to atoms. Nearly all the bodies were found at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

LOCAL NEWS.

—Officer Daniels found Edward Harris in an intoxicated condition lying in the gutter near the residence of T. Collins on West Main street this morning at 3 o'clock. Near by the prostrate man was found a robe, sleigh cushion and a whip. Later the same officer found John Edwards, who had evidently been with Harris earlier, in about the same condition in the road not far from the entrance to the fair grounds. The rug which had been in the bottom of the sleigh and a hitch strap were picked up in the vicinity of Edwards. Both men were taken to the station house and in court this morning they paid costs and were put on three months probation.

A PLEASING PICTURE.

Evolved by the Imagination of a Woman's Relief Corps Member.

PRODUCED AT THE CAMPFIRE.

In the Way Of Prophecy. A Glance at North Adams Some Years Hence. Memorial Hall and its attractions. It Should be Real.

At the campfire held by C. D. Sanford post Friday night Mrs. Josephine A. Burdick of the Woman's Relief Corps read something in the line of prophecy which proved very interesting to the company, and which will be read with pleasure by friends of the post and its auxiliary bodies.

Mrs. Burdick's Paper.

Members of the Grand Army, Sons of Veterans, and Associate Members:—It is a pleasure to me and to each and every member of our order to again participate in another camp fire. We believe they are productive of much good socially, and, we hope, financially. Never in its history has the Grand Army stood better in the eyes of the public all through our land than today, and why? Because they are all they claim to be, all their motto represents, truly fraternal, charitable and loyal. We, the members of the Woman's Relief corps, appreciate the privilege of belonging to the auxiliary of so noble an order and we are willing to pay for the privilege. Our consecration as an order to the interests of the veteran and his dependants is more thoroughly appreciated year by year. By the rapidly thinning ranks of the comrades, their faltering steps, we understand the need of increasing our enthusiasm, by means of which our funds shall be augmented and corresponding benefits to the comrades shall be assured. The day will yet dawn in the history of America when the patriot who shall recall with pride the heroic deeds of the Grand Army of the Republic shall also remember with regret the women of his ancestry, who by reason of ignorance or ingratitude were not members of this auxiliary, which not only ministers now to the suffering and distressed, but is identified with the growth of patriotism and the consequent permanence and security of the nation.

The Woman's Relief corps represents the principles of justice in its work of relief, of gratitude in its service for the Grand Army and in its tribute to the memory of the dead; of education in its work of patriotism in the public schools and of loyalty in its efforts for the erection of halls in memory of glorious men, of glorious deeds and of glorious places. We have a grand incentive in these inspiring memories and likewise in the thought that our work is one of which history will approve.

The Sons of Veterans.

With this organization I believe we should work hand in hand, bound together as we are by the ties of indebtedness to the G. A. R. In all our relations with each other we should be guided by a desire not only to make the last days of the deserving veterans happy ones, but may we strive to discharge our several duties with such fidelity that our influence may result in an ever increasing prosperity for our organization, and may a spirit of harmony pervade all our actions. May the G. A. R. and the Sons of Veterans feel that in the loyal women of our country they have true and faithful friends. And now as the spring time is at hand and the time for building is at hand, the thought naturally comes to us, what can we do? We await the answer from a most generous public.—What can we do? Let us draw on our imagination and in a prophetic way picture the result of the earnest efforts of Post 79, aided by its auxiliaries and patriotic citizens.

It so happened in the year of our Lord 1896, Post 79, G. A. R., being destitute of a home, decide to secure one. Now let us leave the new city in her youth and beauty and imigrate for a few years to a distant section of our land. On returning to the old Bay State we take the Fitchburg railroad to the city of North Adams. It is evening and the season is summer. The whole city is aglow with electricity, by the light of which a beautiful lawn is seen and flowers both abundant and fragrant greet the eye as we alight from the cars. What hotel did we drive to? you ask. Why, the Grand Central, on the corner of State and Main streets, on the old Richmond House sight, an elegant six-story building, the very latest in design and equipment. We were cordially welcomed by the genial proprietor George Whipple, and his courteous clerk, who in his off-hand theatrical style said, "you are just in time, you are, by coin!" After a refreshing night's rest we awoke ready to witness even more marked improvements than those already mentioned. The morning is a perfect one and the morning meal all the most fastidious could wish. We stroll out to see the object of our heart's desire, supposed to be located on Holden street. As we pass up Main to Holden street we see the face of another friend we could not mistake. It is our Benjamin, sole proprietor of the Wilson House drug store, while on the opposite corner Frank Illingworth advertises the largest clothing house in western Massachusetts.

We at last reach the object of our search. (Holden St. is one mass of business blocks.) Let us stop and scrutinize the extension of the building. Over an arched door-way in the center of the block we read the words "Memorial Hall," and above on a cap stone, "Erected 1896." In the front part of the first story on either side of the arched door-way are two stores, with windows handsomely trimmed and occupied by "Mullaney & Co., Dry Goods and Notions," and "A. W. Fulton, the Veteran Shoe Dealer." We could wait no longer, but hastened on to see what further joys awaited us, and we are ushered into a hall, in which are historic relics. We procure a catalogue and proceed to look over the various articles. I cannot stop to enumerate, but I noticed many relics were contributed by surrounding towns, which were willing to trust the safety of the treasure to the care and keeping of the G. A. R. memorial hall. War flags, tattered, torn and bloodstained, are arranged in cases donated by the city, Canteens, portions of shell, knapsacks, swords etc., were eagerly looked over. Surely this is a happy idea and this room is one which all delight to visit, as one containig valuable war relics.

We next visit the large hall in the rear of the building, plain but substantial, with the longest stage in the city, equipped with appropriate dressing rooms and paraphernalia necessary for the accomodation of a first class play. We proceed next to the G. A. R. hall recognized at once by the oil painting of Charles D. Sanford, for whom the post was named. The polished floor, the substantial furniture, electric lighs and gas, proclaim to us at once that with this the comrades are content. Other rooms visited by us were reception room, banquet hall, parlors, reading, smoking, toilet rooms and kitchen, all displaying the same good taste in location and furnishing. Surely the veteran, has at last a home of which he is justly proud and honestly merits. The citizens realized the wants of the G. A. R., when without shelter they were obliged to secure a temporary home in the rear of a block on Main street and willingly offered the necessary finances. The comrades have taken a new lease of life with a home all paid for, and with no long flights of stairs to climb, they are enjoying in their latters days that which should have been theirs years and years ago. All this is the outcome of the small beginning of the purchase of the Whitney property. Small beginnings make great endings. We have built in imagination a memorial hall. Let us draw the curtain and make it a blessed reality.

Faithfully yours,
JOSEPHINE A. BURDICK.

ON SNOWSHOES.

A Party of Young Men Climbed Greylock Mountain Saturday.

Howard Underwood and nine other young fellows started Saturday morning at 6 o'clock for the summit of Greylock, all being provided with snowshoes but Claude Mickle, who took skees. They found the snow hard enough to bear and the walking good until they reached the woods, and then they had to put on their snowshoes. When about half way up the mountain one of the party had to give up on account of a sick headache and return home. The others pushed on and all reached the summit but one, who tired out and had to stop in a shanty by the roadside and wait for the return of the party on the homeward trip.

The snow was found from three to six feet deep in the road, and there were places where it had drifted to the depth of twenty feet. It was a clear and beautiful day and the view from the summit was grand. On the way down the mountain young Mickle was able to make best time on his skees and easily left his companions behind when he chose.

The party reached home before 6 p. m. considerably fatigued, but well pleased with the day's experience.

AMUSEMENTS.

"Down in Dixie."

One of the most popular of southern plays is Scott Marble "Down in Dixie," which will be presented by its managers, at the Columbia Wednesday night. It aims to be a stirring drama, a hearty comedy and an accurate picture of southern life, all in one. Moreover, it has an adjunct which in itself is a very strong attraction. This is the celebrated Pickaninny band. These clever little darkey boys not only play their musical instruments, but also do a very effective Zouave drill ad appear in charroteristic boyish sports in the plantation scenes. Whether in their Zouave regimentals, their band uniforms, or the ragged clothes of the plantation pickaninnies, they are picturesque and interesting. But the pickaninny band, like the cotton field quartette, is merely an accessory, although an immensely popular one. The main thing is the play itself, with its thrilling story of love, plots, danger and rescue, its merry comedy and its interesting characters. The production excels in both scenic and mechanical accessories. Of the latter, the most important is the big cotton compress, by means of which the overseer and the blackmailer attempt to crush the life out of the young naval officer whom they have knocked senseless. This horrible deed is prevented in the nick of time by the dauntless heroine. The suspense of the audience while the officer lies powerless between the closing jaws of the compress, is something to be experienced, perhaps imagined, but certainly not to be described.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS.

The Officers are to be Installed This Evening.

The installation of officers of the Knights of Columbus will be held this evening. The exercises will take place in the rooms of Division 10, A. O. H., on Eagle street. Supreme Deputy Grand Knight Hayes of Boston will be the installing officer. Invitations have been sent to cantons in Springfield, Pittsfield, Fitchburg and Boston, and about 150 guests are expected to be present.

A collation will be served by Joseph Ryan of the Mansion house. A special train will bring the Pittsfield delegation.

Fred Ireland.

Fredrick Ireland, aged thirty-two years, died at his home, 2 East Main Street, this morning of consumption. He had lived in this city for several years and was well liked by those who knew him. He was a member of the Rescue Misson circle. He is survived by a wife and an infant son.

The funeral will be attended from the Rescue mission tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock, Supt. S. N. Allen officiating, assisted by Rev. Mr. Spencer.

—The remains of George Hannigan will arrive from Paterson, N. J., tomorrow at 2.30 p. m. and the funeral will be held at the Congregational church immediately afterward, Rev. W. L. Tenney officiating.

IMPORTANT CASES.

The Kearn and Lanoue Liquor Cases Before the District Court.

BOTH THE OFFENDERS PLEAD GUILTY.

A Lively Argument by Counsel. M. E. Couch Engaged to Prosecute. Thayer and Parkhurst for Defense. Continued till This Afternoon.

The cases in which Wallace Kearn and Fred Lanoue are accused of violating the liquor laws came up in court this morning and a little sensation was created. The commonwealth was represented by M. E. Couch, and S. P. Thayer and C. J. Parkhurst appeared for the defence. When the cases came up there was considerable of the whispering among counsel that often takes the place of trial, but in a short time the lawyers resumed their places and Mr. Thayer called for a continuance of the cases on the ground that the defence was not ready. Mr. Couch strongly objected to a continuance, stating that the commonwealth was ready to go on with the case and that he would insist that the case be tried. Mr. Thayer was upon his feet as soon as Mr. Couch had finished and pleaded for a continuance, pointing out the importance of the case and the meaning of the result to the accused. Mr. Couch still insisted on an immediate trial and stated that the commonwealth had reasons to ask for an immediate trial. He said one of the commonwealth's witnesses had been approached and asked to leave town by some one, he did not know whom.

Mr. Parkhurst tried his powers upon the court and argued that while the people wanted the law enforced, they did not want hasty action and undue advantage taken of the defendant. He said that neither he nor Mr. Kearn knew anything of the incident regarding the witness that Mr. Couch had referred to. Mr. Parkhurst spoke of the standing of the defendent in the community and altogether made a strong argument for his side.

Mr. Couch met him on all points in his reply and pointed out that Mr. Parkhurst had no right to speak for the people; that he was for the defence. Mr. Couch stated that he had nothing personal in the matter, but he was going to have the case fairly tried. Special Justice Woodhead, who was on the bench, said, after the lengthy wrangle, that the court was of the opinion that the case had been continued sufficiently to allow the defence ample opportunity, but if a continuance to the afternoon would be of service he would be willing to grant that.

Mr. Thayer for the defence stated that in all his practice he had never been compelled to come to trial before he was ready until this time, but if the court would not rule otherwise the defence would come to trial in the afternoon, and he asked that the case be continued until 3 o'clock. The court consented to that.

Mr. Couch has been retained by Mayor Houghton as special counsel for prosecuting the liquor cases and he says he will do his duty without fear or favor or personal feeling.

Both Plead Guilty.

At this afternoon's hearing Mr. Kearn pleaded guilty to the charge of violating a provision of his license and was fined $50. Mr Lanoue pleaded guilty to the charge of illegal selling of liquor and was also fined $50. The remaining charges were filed away.

HOME EVANGELIZATION.

An Important Meeting to be Held at the Baptist Church.

The American Baptist Home Mission society, the Massachusetts Baptist Sunday school association and the Massachusetts Baptist convention will unite in holding a missionary conference in the interests of home evangelization, in the First Baptist Church in this city Wednesday, March 25, with sessions commencing at 2.30 and 6.30 p. m.

Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D. D., of New York, Rev. J. N. Williams of Providence, Secretaries, W. W. Main and W. H. Eaton of Boston and A. T. Eddy of Fitchburg, with representative missionaries and others, are expected to be present and address the conference. It is intended to give special prominence to the work among the Swedes, French, Finns, Portugese, etc.

This will be a gathering of much interest and importance, and it is expected that the pastors of the Baptist churches in this part of the state will be present and ready to participate in the exercises. It is also hoped that there will be a good attendance from all the Baptist churches in Berkshire county.

The principal address of the evening will be by Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D. D.

District Court.

Special Justice Woodhead disposed of a long list of cases, mostly continued ones this morning as follows:

Henry F. Reed, continued case for larceny of a sleigh from John Ryan, discharged.

Dominic Mancuso illegal selling of liquor, continued until to-morrow morning.

Edward Harris, drunkenness, fined $2.08 and put on three months probation.

John Edwards, drunkenness, three months probation and fined $2.08.

Joseph Stone, drunkenness, three months probation.

Gilbert Saulmer, carrying concealed weapons and disturbing the peace, continued until the 30th.

W. H. Roberts, drunkenness, continued until the 30th.

Fred Mattison, drunkenness, continued until the 30th.

The case against Samuel Clark for larceny was continued this morning by State agent Morton of Boston for one week.

add District Court.

Wallace Kearn, druggist, charged with violating a provision of his liquor license by making an illegal sale on the Sabbath day, pleaded not guilty and the case was continued until the 30th.

Umbrella Talk

The fickle maid, April will soon be here with sunshine and showers. Better be prepared for her. We've made special preparations for the weather.

Look for Cutting's name in your umbrella when buying. Herein lies the success of your umbrella. Cutting's price for first class umbrellas either ladies or Gents sizes are $1.00, $1.50, $2.00, $2.50 and $3.00.

How

is your old umbrella?
Got a Hole in it?
Remember that the old cover can come off and a new one put on in a few minutes.
This sort of a transformation costs you $1.50, $2.00 $2.50 according to size and quality.

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Figured Colored Mohairs, Plain Colored Mohairs, Novelty Suitings, Figured Novelties, Dress Patterns, Silk and Wool Mixtures.

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I know not what record of sin awaits me in the other world; but this I do know, that I never was base enough to despise a man because he was poor, because he was ignorant, or because he was black.
—John A. Andrew.

SPECIAL TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

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"WE HOLD THE WESTERN GATEWAY."
From the Seal of North Adams.

MONDAY AFTERNOON, MARCH 23, '96

MORAL AND IMMORAL BOOKS.

No subject is of more vital importance to society today than the character of the books it reads. Yet it seems to us that the fathers and mothers and teachers and librarians are hardly aware of the nature of the books that are passing current among readers, old and young today. Nothing less than filth and moral disease are embodied in books that are now found everywhere and are everywhere read.

A criticism recently appearing in a high-toned Boston paper contains some of the following ideas which are worthy very general consideration. It says in part: Despite its improvement in expression, the modern novel is inferior in art, in wholesomeness of tone and in morality to the old classic novel. We no longer speak frankly, but we do worse—we speak by innuendos; we veil our coarseness in attractive attire, whereas the old masters flung it naked to their readers in all its foul ugliness. It were better had they altogether avoided the subject, but at least their method was superior to our attempts at half-concealment. And it cannot be denied that the art of Richardson is a finer, nobler and more exalting art than that of Mr. Hardy; yet Richardson is treated to an expurgated edition, and Hardy unaltered may be purchased by school girls. Fielding is hidden in some dusty corner of the library, while Zola is openly displayed on shop counters and at street corners.

"With so much evil in an attractive garb to choose from, where is the modern youth or maiden who will go to the past for goodness in unattractive attire—goodness sound of heart if coarse in speech? At their worst the old novelists were healthy human animals. They had their coarse oath and jest; they fearlessly trod in foul places; but they never deliberately degraded their manhood or their race; never attempted to make vice attractive, nor describe it in a calm, scientific spirit, as is the habit with us moderns. Their coarseness is different from ours, for it is unconceal'd; their honesty of intention is better than ours, for it is more sincere, and their morality is sounder than ours for it is more healthy and breathes of the open air and not of the hothouse."

"One thing is certain: it is useless to use the scissors on our classic works before we liberally disinfect modern literature. Fielding, Smollet, Sterne, and even Rabelais are purity itself compared with some of the modern novels that are the daily emotional food of our innocent youths and maidens. The popular fictitious literature of the day is foul and unwholesome, and in its decay is more in need of purification than the works that have defied time through their healthy vitality, their truth, their honesty of intention and their genius."

EDISON'S LATEST TRIUMPH.

Thomas A. Edison has the right indeed to the name of "electrical wizard." His genius seems to surmount all the barriers of natural difficulties and to discover the most hidden secrets of nature.

His latest achievement is that of discovering a way to look through solids with the naked eye to bring to light and sight what has been hidden in all the years of existence.

The New York Journal summarizes the almost incredible story of Mr. Edison's latest victory over natural forces as follows:

"Mr. Edison last Friday succeeded in penetrating the human body with the naked eye. He looked into the heart and lungs, and examined the arteries, the blood vessels and muscles of one of his assistants.

"Mr. Edison has, perhaps, reached the crowning glory of his life—he has opened the door which at once revolutionizes and immortalizes the horizon of the medical world.

"The great inventor has fulfilled the promise made to the world one week ago—he has laid bare to the eye of the physician and the surgeon every organ and tissue and bone of the human body. The simplest mind, says the New York Sunday Journal, can grasp what this means in the diagnosis, the treatment and the actual observation of the progress of internal diseases.

It is very simple to Mr. Edison. With the powerful cathode light behind his patient he gazes through a screen of prepared chemicals and sees every organ of the body as plainly as he sees the dishes on his dinner table.

If his subject stands very close to the light nothing whatever is seen—the light goes through bones and everything, just as sunlight goes through glass.

If the patient steps a foot or two away from the light, the human skeleton revealed. A step further from the light, and the muscles, tissues and organs of the body appear as plainly as if there was no outside covering of flesh.

And so on—as the distance from the light and the focus is changed. Mr. Edison is now completing a fluorescent screen eight feet high, which will enable him to see all this from the top o' your head to the soles of your feet.

The Massachusetts Republican state convention are getting to be pretty stale affairs. Everything is fixed up before hand and the people who furnish the majorities to carry out the program have nothing to say about what is being done—except to ratify the wishes of a few party leaders. A case in point—how many delegates going from North Adams to the Republican convention at Boston, Friday, expect to do anything but what is already mapped out for them before they get there? Have they any ideas or wishes that they can hope to advance unless certain influential party leaders have chanced to embody them in the program?

The Freemen prefers McKinley to Reed, nevertheless we have done nothing to injure the candidacy of the Maine statesman, and we shall heartily support him if he be nominated. We believe William McKinley stands today nearer the people than any other American, that his Americanism is of the kind all patriots most admire, and that the policy inculcated by by him when he said "I would not buy a single article of foreign manufacture while a single American workingman seeks employment," has taken a place in in the American heart and is treasured there as the utterance of a friend. He is the advocate of an imposition of such duties as will assure the American market for the products of American labor, in short he typifies the great principle of protection.—Adams Freeman.

The sooner the present congress adjourns the better. This does not mean that it has been a particularly dangerous or disastrous organization. In spite of many disadvantages its record is much better than that of its predecessor. The point is that when there is nothing to do, that can be done, except the passage of appropriation bills, it is well to get through and go home. The best congress is necessarily a disturbing element. Business men and merchants are naturally uneasy as long as a body is in session which has the power to make changes. Therefore it would be sound political judgment for it to adjourn early.—Springfield Republican.

If there is a strong McKinley sentiment in this section, and there certainly is such, would it be anything more than justice for the Republican district convention for selecting delegates to the St. Louis convention to instruct such delegates as to the very strong second choice of the first Massachusetts district?

We regret to hear that Mr. Mink, publisher of the Pittsfield Sun, is confined to the house and suffering from a painful injury caused by a fall, in which an ankle tendon was torn or broken. It is hoped that he will soon be able to again resume his duties as manager of his bright and popular paper.

It is the field against McKinley and anything to beat the favorite. Every kind of combination is heard of. But the favorite at present is widening the gap between himself and the field with the close of the race only twelve weeks away.

With Edison's device for looking through the human body from top to toe, doctors will not have to look so wise when they give the report of their diagnoses, and yet the doctors will make very many less mistakes than formerly.

THE EDITOR'S SHEARS.

FOR TODAY.

THESE MARCH DAYS.

There is a time of subtle browns and grays
That run to silverings and tremulous greens,
And russet tints and ash-pale pools of leaves;
Of ghostly mosses and elusive grass
That's neither lush nor dead; of naked trees
Ineffably harmonious with the sky
That stretches vast and neutral, tone on tone,
Not to be called a color, but a thought.
To some this is a barren time, a sleep
Between true winter and the spell of spring;
To me it is the heart's own time and tide,
Being hidden from the heedless eye that lusts
For flaring eyes and sunset dies, yet charged
With secrets rare and blendings into dreams,
And ecstacies divine that shadow forth
A mystery the Selah of the soul.
—Richard Burton.

THE GHOSTLY PRESENCE.

On the road, the lonely road.
Under the cold pale moon,
Under the pine tree's shade he strode
Whistling and shifting his weary load,
Whistling a foolish tune.

There came a step timed with his own,
A figure that crouched and bowed;
A blade that glistened and keenly shone
Like a splinter of daylight downward thrown—
And the moon went behind a cloud.

Then the moon shone out so broad and good
The barnfowl waked and crowed,
And ruffed his feathers in a drowsy mood,
While the brown owl called to his mate in the wood
That a dead man lay in the road.

ANOTHER VETERAN GONE.

A Member of the Old Tenth Dies in New Jersey.

George Hannigan, a war veteran who enlisted from North Adams, died Saturday at Paterson, N. J., aged about 70 years. He enlisted in 1861 in the Tenth Massachusetts regiment, Co. B., Captain Smart, and was a brave and faithful soldier. It was his desire to be buried in the soldiers' mound in the West Main street cemetery, that he might sleep with the comrades with whom he served. His request will be complied with and the remains will reach this city tomorrow. The hour for the funeral has not been fixed, but will be announced later. It is hoped that all survivors of the Tenth regiment living in this vicinity will attend.

The Old Homestead.

Of this play, which will be seen at the Columbia tonight, a Bennington, Vt., correspondent writes to the TRANSCRIPT:

"The largest audience ever gathered in the opera house was there Saturday evening to greet the "Old Homestead" company. Every seat of the 1000 was taken and standing room commanded a premium. The whole thing was admirable, and the singing by the double male quartet was alone equal to any thing ever heard here."

C. H. Livermore of Elmwood avenue is out again after a weeks illness.

Fitchburg Railroad.

Corrected Dec. 16, 1895.

Trains Leave North Adams going East—a1.37, l5.18, 7.23, 9.53, 11.44 a. m.; 2.22, l4.10 c7.00 p. m.

Going West—7.30, 10.08 a. m.; 12.20, 1.24, 5.09 l5.05, 11.45, c2.39, c7.40 p. m.

Trains Arrive from East—10.08 a. m.; 12.10, 1.24, 5.00, l5.05, 11.40, c2.39 p. m.

From West—a1.37, l5.18, 7.23, 9.53, 11.44, 2.22, l4.10, 7.00 p. m. c2.00 p. m.

p Runs Daily, except Monday.
l Runs Daily, Sunday included.
c Sundays only.

Boston & Albany Railroad.

Trains Leave North Adams, Going South—6.20, 9.35 a. m.; 12.15, 3.00, 6.05 p. m.

Trains Arrive from South—8.20 a. m.; 12.05, 2.35, 6.50, 9.10 p. m.

Hoosac Valley Street Railway.

ADAMS LINE.

Leave North Adams—6.10, 7, 7.45, 8.30, 9.15, 10, 10.45, 11.30 a. m.; 12.15, 1, 1.45, 2.30, 3.15, 4, 4.45, 5.30, 6.15, 7, 7.45, 8.30, 9.15 p. m. 10 to Zylonite only.

Leave Adams—6.30, 6.10, 7, 7.45, 8.30, 9.15, 10, 10.45, 11.30 a. m., 12.15, 1, 1.45, 2.30, 3.15, 4, 4.45, 5.30, 6.15, 7, 7.45, 8.30, 9.15 p. m. 10 o'clock to Zylonite only.

Saturday and Sunday afternoons, leave each end at 1, 1.30, 1.45, 2.00, 2.30, 2.45, 3.15, 3.30, 3.45, 4.15, 4.45, 5.15, 5.45, 6.15, 6.45 7.15, 7.45, 8.15, 8.45, 9.15, 9.45, *10.15 p. m.

Leave Williamstown—7, 7.45, 8.30, 9.15, 10, 10.45, 11.30 a. m.; 12.15, 1, 1.30, 2, 2.30, 3, 3.30, 4, 4.30, 5, 5.30, 6, 6.30, 7, 7.30, 8, 8.30, 9, 9.30, 10, †11 p. m.

Cars leave Blackinton at 6.30 a. m. for both North Adams and Williamstown.

Saturday and sunday afternoons and evenings, commencing at 1 o'clock, cars leave each end of the line every twenty minutes.

Cars reach Blackinton twenty minutes after leaving either end of the line.

*Last to Williamstown.
†Last from Williamstown.

Stages.

Run Daily, except Sundays.

NORTH ADAMS AND WILLIAMSTOWN.

THOMAS MCMAHON, Proprietor.

Leave Richmond House, North Adams, 8.30 a. m.; 12.15, 2.40, 6 p. m., and, Saturdays, 9.10 p. m.
Leave McMahon's Stable, Williamstown, 5.15 a.m., 11 a. m.; 1.45 p. m., and, Saturdays, 5 p. m.

NORTH ADAMS AND READSBORO.

J. E. FAULKNER, Proprietor.

Leave Post Office, North Adams, 1.30 p. m.
Leave Post Office, Readsboro, 8 a. m.

THIS EVENING'S EVENTS.

"The Old Homestead" at the Columbia.
Annual renting of the pews of the Baptist church.
Meeting of Men's institute at Congregational chapel.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

—There were nine deaths in this city last week.

—A daughter was born March 21 to Mr. Mrs. William Blythe of Chestnut street.

—The Berkshire club will hold a "ladies night" in the club rooms Wednesday evening.

—The members of the Woman's Relief Corps will have a "national lunch" party in Gatslick's hall April 8.

—The annual rental of pews and seatings in the Baptist church will take place this evening at 7.30 o'clock.

—A maple sugar festival will be held in the dining rooms of the Baptist church, Friday evening.

—A Monroe man reports the mercury 4 below zero in that town this morning. It was 6 above in this city.

—Miss Eva Sheldon's dancing class will meet this week and next on Friday evening instead of Wednesday evening.

—The Women's Tens of the Baptist church will hold a maple sugar festival in the dining rooms of the church Friday evening.

—Rehearsal of "Columbia," tomorrow evening in the Franco-American club rooms at 7.30 o'clock. Every singer should be present.

—The annual meeting of the Baptist church will be held Thursday evening. The election of officers and transaction of other business will take place.

—Tunnel City division No 17, U. R. K. of P., has secured Lovett's Boston Stars for a concert to be given in Odd Fellows hall Monday, April 13.

—Those who are to contribute food for the Easter sale at the Congregational church, are asked to leave it at church as early in the afternoon as possible.

—The Saturday afternoon whist club was entertained by Mrs J. H. Orr of Holbrook street Saturday afternoon. Mrs Frank L. Tilton won the first prize, a handsome vase.

—A committee from the Father Matthew debating club has been appointed to confer with committees from the Blackinton and Adams societies and arrange a triangular debating club.

—A pair of shoes which was found on the "Clay road" Saturday afternoon by a man named Benx was taken to the police station. The shoes were some of the lot taken from Canedy's shoe shop Monday evening by thieves.

—The members of the dancing class under the direction of Professor Doring of Troy, N. Y., have received invitations to a reception and exhibition of the dancing classes of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Doring, to be given at Bolton hall, Troy, May 5.

—The debate at the Father Matthew society rooms yesterday afternoon was very warmly contested. The question was "Resolved, That imagination should be restricted." The affirmative side was the debate by argument, but the decision of the audience was for the negative side.

—The inquest to ascertain the cause of the death of Dennis O'Leavy which occurred in the Hoosac tunnel January 13 will be held in the court room tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock. The reason it has not been held before was because of Judge Thayer's illness. Special Justice Woodhead will conduct the inquest.

—The annual Easter sale conducted by the Ladies' Aid society of the Congregational church will commence tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock. An afternoon tea will be served tomorrow and Wednesday from 4 until 5:30 o'clock. Supper will be served from 5:30 until 7 o'clock both evening. The proceeds of the sale will be applied on the chapel debt. The contribution of fancy and useful articles has been a very generous one and this year's sale is expected to exceed all previous ones in a monetary sense.

—The regular meeting of the Y. M. C. A. Literary club will be held this evening. The subject for debate will be "Resolved, that Lincoln did more for America than than Washington." The affirmative speakers will be Frank Watson and William Spencer; the negative, Fred Mallory and John Stodden. Assistant Secretary Higgins will give an oration on "Abraham Lincoln." A. G. Quinn will contribute a reading and Fred Mallory will render piano selections. The club has 35 members and much of benefit is obtained at each meeting. Any boy over twelve years of age may become a member.

—Ashland street will soon be made additionally attractive by a new block which is to be erected by Mrs. W. H. Whitman on the property at the corner of Ashland and Chestnut streets. The plan for the block have been finished and the work will be commenced as soon as the weather will permit. Edwin T. Barlow was the architect and the work has been done very creditably. The building will be made of wood and two stories high, with a frontage on Ashland street of 123 feet and forty-six feet on Chestnut street. There will be five tenements on Ashland street and one on Chestnut street. Each tenement will be lighted by gas and will be supplied with the most modern convenience.

—The eclipse cotton mill of Gallup & Houghton has been started up and it is expected that the whole mill will be in operation in about a month. Already some of the spinning frames are working. The Beaver mill will be started in part in about a month and will be running in full as soon after as the different departments can be gotten in shape. This is excellent news for a large number of cotton workers and the business men of the city. The mills have been closed for a complete change of machinery and a doubling in size. The mills when running full will give employment to about six hundred people and the finest grade of cotton will be manufactured in them.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Mrs. Henry Burkstrasser of Meadow street has recovered from a serious illness of fever.

Fred Emmott of Providence, R. I., spent Sunday at the home of his parents on Cherry street.

Mrs. Martin C. Jewett of East Main street is seriously ill with stomach trouble.

Miss Laura Ripley and Miss Mabel Arnold left today for a weeks trip in New York City and Boston.

Miss Ida Boynton of North Street spent Sunday at the home of her sister, Mrs. Eugene Smith, in Pittsfield.

Alexander Craswell of the C. T. Sampson Manufacturing company left today for a week's business trip to Boston.

Sanford Braman of Gloversville, N. Y., has accepted a position in the store of his uncle, M. V. N. Braman, on State street.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Davis returned today to their home in Germantown, Pa., after visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Hunter on Quincy street.

Miss Margaret Martin of East Quincy street returned today to her studies at Tilton, N. H., where she is attending school.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Putnam will entertain the Monday Evening Whist club this evening at their home on Church street.

George Hopkins of Pleasant street left for Los Angeles, Cal., Saturday evening on a vacation of two weeks. Mrs. Hopkins and son George are visiting her parents in Chicopee for two weeks.

E. C. Bennett of Bennington, Vt., is ill with the grip and unable to sing. Miss Bowen substituted for him at the Congregational church yesterday and gave great pleasure to the large congregation. In the afternoon Miss Bowen and Professor Mietzke went to the sanitarium and assisted in the interesting service held there.

Dr. J. H. Riley will move his office from the present location to the rooms in the Davenport block recently vacated by David Roberts. The change will be made April 1.

Mrs. John Kelley of Grove street is visiting relatives in Syravuse, N. Y.

Miss Annie Reardon of Hoosick Fall, N. Y., was the guest of Miss Annie Boland yesterday.

Miss Alice Gordon of Saratoga, N. Y., is the guest of Miss Fannie Tossell of 106 West Main street.

Mrs. E. A. Strond of Chestnut street returned today from a week's visit at the home of her daughter, Mrs Jesse Spruill, in Springfield.

E. N. Hoag of the North Adams Gas Light company returned today from Spencertown, N. Y., where he had been spending the past few days at the home of his parents.

Arthur D. Griswold of the Boston store, with his wife, has returned from a two week's visit with relatives at Green, N. Y.

Miss Jennie Cronin of East Main street spent Sunday at the home of her parents in Hoosick Falls, N. Y.

Charles Durocher of Francis street returned to his position in Weber Bros.' store today after a serious illness of ten weeks with pneumonia.

Mrs. Harry Howes will entertain friends at whist at her home in Church place Thursday evening.

Dancing Class.

Miss Eva Sheldon's dancing class will meet Friday night instead of Wednesday night this week and next. Special attention will be given to two-step and schottishes. All desirous of taking these steps will be welcome. Lessons from 7.30 to 9. Social from 9 to 11.

TOWN TALK.

Crusty.

The "Crusty" Bread Pans are as advertised, very fine. We sell them at 10c. W. H. Sperry & Co.

Cutters Spool Silk, thousands of leading dressmakers say it is the strongest and smoothest sewing silk, is sold at Taylor & Gow's.

"Blood is the life" and for cleansing and purifying the blood and building up the system "Wyoming Cordials" has no superior.

Mrs Crowell of Union street says, "I have used "Wyoming Cordial" and have never found anything that has benefited me so much, and I cannot say too much in its praise." Sold only by
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A Card,

We the undersigned agree to refund the money on a 50c bottle of Green's Syrup of Tar if it fails to cure your cough or cold, we also guarantee a twenty-five cent bottle to prove satisfactory or no pay.

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BORN.

In this city, March 21, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. William Blythe.

In this city, March 17, a son to Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Houghtling.

DIED.

In this city, March 23, Frederick Ireland, aged 32 years.

In this city, March 20, David Pyne, aged 75 years.

HELP WANTED.

A good kitchen girl to go out of town. Inquire 16 Brooklyn St.

Two good salesmen, hustlers. Salary or commission. Apply 68 Holden St.

A good kitchen girl, one that understands cooking. Second girl kept. Mrs. P. Boyd, 72 Marshall Street.

SITUATIONS WANTED.

As butcher, driver or waiter, by a young man Willing to do anything. Address Geo. Wagon, 38 Washington ave. in the rear.

Two young ladies desire positions as typewriters and stenographers. Address Box M. Transcript. 6t

A Young Lady, American, with good references, desires a permanent situation in a first-class dressmaking establishment in North Adams. Address "Experienced" Transcript office.

A steady, middle aged man wants work. Understands farming and teaming, best of references given. Address Francis Trumble, Zylonite.

By a young man willing to work at anything. Address B. T. O.

A position by a young girl, to care for children. Refer to Mrs. J. C. Tebbetts, 28 Summer street

A young German woman who has had some advantages and who speaks some English would like a position in a family where it is desired that the children learn German. Address German, Transcript office.

A reliable man would like a situation o some kind. Is temperate and of good habits Address C. S. L. 62 Centre St.

American, 35 years of age, temperate and used to work would like a position of some kind. Am used to horses and cows. Farming, watchman, janitor or anything. Address Transcript or 90 West Main St., North Adams, Mass.

TO RENT.

In Clarksburg, a good house and barn, several acres of land, plenty of fruit. Apply to owner, Mrs. Ellingham, 78 Eagle street, city. 295-6t*

Farm in Clarksburg, suitable for market gardening. Inquire at No. 9 Church street, Mrs. Jennie Cheever.

Comfortable room in good location, steam heat. Reference required. Address "Respectable," Transcript office. 3t 252

Room, cheap, gentleman preferred, centrally located. Inquire L. O. Transcript. 248-6t*

Furnished Room, with Bath and gas, No. 9 Bank street, up one flight. F. E. Gurney.

Two tenements on Main street. Inquire of Geo. Hopkins or Clarence W. Gallup. 216tf

Store, 22 State St. Inquire of T. Collins.

Four desirable tenements with all modern improvements $10 to $20 per month. Inquire of M. R. Dowlin, 11 Pleasant St.

LOST.

Or stolen, a silver terrier, answers to the name of Wallace. Finder will be rewarded by leaving same. John Scotland, Renfrew.

WANTED.

Room with board by a gentleman. Inquire at this office.

A good Canvasser to sell our goods in North Adams. For terms, call or address Grand Union Tea Co., 388 River St., Troy, N. Y.

A young lady with good references desires a situation in an office. Is a competent stenographer and typewriter and a graduate of a prominent business college. Inquiries can be made at the Transcript office.

FOR SALE.

The John T. Dick place, corner of Bracewell ave. and North Holden street. Inquire on premises or H. A. Gallup, Boland block.

Good family driving horse six years old, sound and kind, not afraid of anything. Inquire of C. A. Card, Real Estate and Insurance agent, 3 Martin block, North Adams. 6x252

New milch cow. John Navin, Blackinton. 6t*

A good business, for full particulars apply to Bakery, corner River and Brooklyn Sts.

Household goods, furniture, carpets, bedding, stoves, etc. Brand new, used only a few months. Must be sold quickly, terms easy. Apply to 111 State St.

FOR SALE OR TO RENT,

My place at South Williamstown, 35 acres. One-fourth mile from post office, with privilege of care of aged lady. John Navin, Blackinton. 6t*

FOUND.

On train leaving North Adams at 7.30 a. m., March 19, a Fox Terrier, wearing a collar with small bell. Owner may have same by proving property and paying charges. Address Geo. J. Holden, 241 Westminster street, Providence, R. I.

NOTICE.

The Board of Public Works will hold their regular meetings in their room at City Hall on Monday and Friday afternoons at 3 o'clock.
W. G. CADY, Chairman,
JAS. E. HUNTER,
GEO. W. CHACE.

Ladies!

Your attention is called to the fact that WHITE & SMITH will serve

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A solid 14 karat Gold Case $35.00.

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Fire Insurance

SUBURBAN NEWS.

Happenings of Interest in Our Neighbor Towns.

AT ADAMS TODAY.

The Town Report.

The town report this year has given more satisfaction than ever was given by any other. It is a complete report of every department of the town government and shows that each part has been well conducted. The report of Chief of Police Curran shows the first year of this department to be a very successful one. The articles of special importance in the town warrant concern the acceptance of the Park street grade as reported by the committee; the construction of a bridge across Tophet brook at the intersection of Hoosac and North Summer streets; the appropriation of a sum to improve Dean street; the erection of a library and Memorial building; the straightening and widening of Columbia street at the dugway; the extension of the street railway to Maple Grove; the erection of a school building at East Renfrew; the construction of a police station.

Railroad Improvement.

A special train ran from Pittsfield to North Adams Sunday, and all along the line were left new rails much heavier than those now in use. These new rails are to displace the old tracks at once and heavier engines and trains can then be run.

Mrs. Nancy L. Leonard.

Mrs. Nancy L. Leonard, wife of Philo Leonard of East Cheshire and well known in this town, died at her home Sunday. Mrs Leonard was born in Cheshire July 7, 1850 and lived in this section nearly all her life. She was a woman of good Christian qualities and her death is regretted by many people in this town as well as at her home in Cheshire. The funeral will be held Tuesday afternoon and Rev. Mr. Harding will officiate.

Quite Severely Scalded.

William Welch, foreman of the dyeing department of the Adams brothers mill at Maple Grove was quite badly scalded while at his work Friday afternoon by a boiling preparation from a big dye vat.

Track to the Marble Quarry.

Division Superintendent Wales of Boston and Road Master T. J. Sullivan of Westfield, both Boston & Albany Railroad men, were in town today considering requests for a side track from Renfrew to Adams marble quarry.

Sara A. Phillips led the Baptist Young People's meeting Sunday evening on the subject, "What is Christ's Life Doing for You?"

Mary Bartlett, Henry F. Bartlett's little daughter, gave several of her friends a ride to Cheshire Saturday afternoon.

The Greylock shirt shop will run only four days a week for a time.

The will of the late Mrs. Anne Belle Waters of this town will come up at the probate court session in Pittsfield Tuesday, April 7.

The Fortnightly club will meet this evening with Rev. O. I. Darling at the Universalist church parlors and Henry L. Harrington will read a paper on "The Rights of a State among Nations, based on International Law."

The Republican caucus for the nomination of candidates for the town offices will be held at the opera house this evening.

The sale of tickets for Superintendent Beckwith's lecture on Abraham Lincoln, which will be given at the opera house Tuesday evening under the auspices of George E. Sayles, Grand Army post, has been very slow. The lecture is sure to be a sound and entertaining one and the people of the town should show by a large attendance their appreciation of the lecturer and the Grand Army.

Charles Ryan won the first suit in James R. O'Brien's suit club Saturday night.

Miss J. Keefe of Dalton spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. J. H. Cook.

A requiem mass in Memory of John Moriarty, brother of Patrick Moriarty of this town, who died in Flatbush, L. I., last week, will be celebrated at St. Charles' church Tuesday morning.

A mass was celebrated at St. Charles' church this morning for the Sacred Heart League promoters. They will meet at the church Friday evening.

At St. Charles' church Sunday Rossini's "Inflamatus," was sung by Miss Julie Allen assisted by the choir.

Rev. Austin O'Malley of Holyoke will preach at the Lenten devotion in St. Charles' church Friday evening.

Victor King, who was recently injured by falling from an electric light pole, resumed his work today.

The regular weekly drill of company M will occur at the armory this evening.

John Herbert Williams of West street and Henry G. Hammer of Meadow street have applied for naturalization papers.

Seventeen names were added to the voters' list at Saturday's meeting of the registrars.

Conductor John Dineen has been transferred to the Williamstown end of the electric road and Robert Gilman has been changed to the local branch.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. William L. Andrews March 19.

The J. S. Adams base ball club will hold a dance at St. Jean Baptiste hall Friday evening, April 10. Harrington's orchestra will provide music and Decorgine will be prompter. Supper will be served at the hall.

Neil Riley was in court this morning on a charge of drunkenness and was placed on probation for three months.

Rev. P. Murphy of Lee was in town Sunday as Rev. Fr. Moran's guest, and Rev. M. J. Coyne was in Lee.

CHESHIRE.

Jay Brown has moved to the Avoin Wood house at the west district.

Fred Farrar went to Rochester, N. Y., today for work in a shoe shop there.

The young ladies' reading club will be entertained this week by Miss Agnes Richardson.

Lanvin Brown is sick at North Adams. He was taken while visiting his daughter, Mrs. H. L. Tucker, at that city.

Mrs. Nancy Leonard, aged forty-five years, and the wife of Philo Leonard, died Sunday. She had been a sufferer for some time. She leaves a husband, two sons and a daughter to mourn for her. The funeral will occur Tuesday from the house at the east part at 2 p. m. The remains will be interred here.

P. M. Youlan of Hoosick Falls spent Sunday with his brother here, Rev. P. F. Youlan.

Mrs. Fred Sanders and child of Little Falls, N. Y., is stopping at E. A. Sanders'.

Warren Brown expects to move to his new purchase at Lanesboro this week.

Mrs. Q. Northrup, who has been so dangerously sick, is slightly better.

Fred Fowler of Warren has moved to this place.

Baggageman Calahan is learning telegraphy at the office at the station.

WILLIAMSTOWN.

No License Mass Meeting.

A crowded house listened to short speeches by prominent citizens at the opera house Sunday evening. No ladies were present. Daniel J. Neyland acted as chairman. His opening remarks were well received and the outline of the general trains of thought and action for the evening and on the morrow were made very plain to the audience.

Mr. Neyland called upon Charles S. Cole as the first speaker of the evening. He touched upon all phases of the question, and was very eloquent in his appeal to put away the temptation of open saloons in our town and from before our youth and men. He proved that the scarcity of money and the difficulty in collecting bills was all owing to the saloons.

Other speakers were: W. B. Clark, John Hughes of Blackinton, S. A. Hickox, Fr. O'Sullivan, George B. Waterman and Rev. Edward Wilson. Mr. Clark's speech was a novel mixture of wit, eloquence and pathos, and as the clerk of the town his fund of facts, laws and statistics was brought before the audience in a most earnest and convincing manner, and none could doubt the evil effects of license.

Fr. O'Sullivan spoke of the debasement of man by the use of liquor, the loss of memory and will, until a state on a level with the lower animals results. He vividly portrayed the mental and physical suffering of women who have drunken husbands, who should protect the women, the weaker creatures, as they had sworn in their marriage vows.

All agreed that license will cause paupers to increase, manhood to be debased and that all of our citizens will suffer, as our town is so dependent on each individual, and that in this enlightened age we must not put temptation in weak men's way.

A pleasant social will be given in the lecture room of the Congregational church Friday evening at 7.30 by members of the Y. P. S. C. E.

John J. Fitzgerald is confined at home with a severe cold.

Miss Millie Peters awarded $50 damages at police court Saturday in the suit against Mrs. Ruby Varley proprietress of Riverside hotel. Mrs. Varley's dog bit Miss Peters a short time ago.

The Williamstown manufacturing company commenced today to prepare for the erection of their new waste house on Hodge's elevator building site.

Luke Madden, Jr., has gone to Paterson, N. J., to learn the machinist's trade.

At the athletic exhibition at Laselle gymnasium Saturday, Fifer made a record of 9 feet, 4 inches, pole vault.

Miss Pauline Daley of Chatham, N. Y., is visiting her sister, Mrs. F. E. Moore.

C. L. Safford is visiting his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hoyt are in town.

S. J. Kellogg sold at private sale Saturday his entire stock of shoes, and will not resume that business.

F. Mather was in Troy on business Saturday.

C. B. Fowler sprained one of his wrists Saturday.

A. R. Smith, successor to B. F. Mather, Specialties: Kennedy's crackers, the best cereals, canned goods of every description, cocoas, teas, coffee and spices, salad oils, olives, pickles, Curtice's blue label catsup. Only the finest goods sold. Main street, Williamstown.

Charles B. Fowler, commencing Monday, March 9, will have for sale at his bakery at the rear of Ruether's block, one carload of Ceresota flour. A bargain. Come and look at this flour.

CURRENT COMMENT.

New Year's resolutions got their second wind in Lent.—Atchison Globe.

California is shipping oranges to Florida. Next we shall hear of maple sugar being sent to Vermont.—Manchester Union.

Now that we think of it Lord Salisbury seems to have successfully sworn off from the ultimatum habit.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

It is a wonder that England has not fitted out an expedition to go up and take possession of the north pole.—Mail of Woodland.

High priced musicians and songsters are making no criticisms of this country's financial system.—Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.

"The Literary Avenger" is the title of a new book. Are the disappointed authors arming themselves for the editors?—Atlanta Constitution.

President Kruger has revealed to the English mind the fact that a man does not have to wear a monocle in order to be a good diplomat.—Washington Star.

Talk about an enemy's fleet being able to steam into New York harbor and capture the city! Peaceful merchant vessels can't get in without running aground.—Buffalo Express.

The big fortune that is reported to have fallen into the lap of that notorious young man, Lord Sholto Douglas, furnishes further convincing evidence as to what the Almighty thinks of money.—Boston Herald.

Why not enact a law to provide that the dead bodies of all physicians, surgeons, medical students and medical editors shall be delivered at the nearest medical college free of all charges, except cartage?—Iowa State Register

A woman who wears at a theater a high hat which prevents the person behind her from seeing the stage is no better than a common thief, for she wantonly steals the view for which another has paid good and lawful money.—Boston Courier.

Pope Leo recently advised one of his clergy to "write articles for the newspapers. People read them who never go to hear a sermon preached." Despite his age and strict seclusion, Pope Leo evidently keeps up with the times.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Lillian Russell has ordered her leading man to dispense with the cold and clammy stage kiss and get down to real business. We are sorry for the unfortunate man, but suppose Lillian has a right to demand naturalness in his stage work.—Washington Post.

Because she climbs to the top of omnibuses, to descend from which demands grace [illegible]

LOCAL NEWS.

IT WAS FINE ART.

But Not Exactly of the Variety They had Expected

WOMEN DUPED BY A SWINDLER.

Tickets Sold for a Course of Art Lectures. A Very Select Affair. Lecturers Failed to Appear as Announced. Mortification and Silence.

A new swindle has been successfully worked in this city and vicinity very recently, and the victims have taken so little pride in being duped that they have not gone about telling of the matter. In fact, they apparently feel very far from proud about having been so nicely taken in. The victims are all women, as we understand, and we doubt if many of them have ever told their husbands and fathers how they lately invested a certain $2.50. There are a good many of them that might tell it, too, but they probably think that they would not hear the last of it for some time to come, and such a joke soon gets very stale for the average woman, especially, as in this case it was her credulous, confiding nature that led her into the toils of a smooth-tongued rascal.

The story is this: About a month ago a polished stranger appeared in this city to sell tickets for a series of art lectures. He met with very good success, not only here but in Williamstown, where he succeeded in interesting a number of ladies in the enterprise. The agent gave his name as Warren and announced that the lectures were to be given by Hopkinson Smith, Clarence Cook and a lady from Chicago. A course of lectures was to be given, the first to occur at Odd Fellows' hall March 14. For such entertaining and instructive lectures as these were to be $2.50 seemed like a very reasonable price and the agent found business fully as good as he had a right to expect. All who bought tickets looked forward with pleasure to the opening of the course.

No advertising was done, as the whole affair was to be strictly select and the tickets were all sold in advance, thus relieving the management from any risk on account of weather or other attractions. But when the day came for the first lecture the ticket holders found themselves in a predicament very similar to that of the Republican voters of Ward 2 last Thursday night. The hall was not opened and there was no one on hand to explain the mystery. Gradually it dawned on the ticket holders that there had been a little more "art" in connection with the enterprise than they expected, and they doubtless understood the law of averages well enough to realize that, such being the case, they could afford to put up with a little less lecture. At any rate, there was no choice in the matter and the ladies departed after the manner of those who "Fold up their tents like the Arabs."

The investment was certainly instructive, and not all will have been lost if the lesson be learned that in this progressive age fine art is confined to the "upper circles."

Saratoga Invents.

In connection with the above the following dispatch to the New York World will be of interest:

SARATOGA, March 21.—A man calling himself "Mr. Mason, of New York City," quietly canvassed the fashionable portion of Saratoga recently and sold tickets at $2.50 each for a series of five lectures on art subjects "under the patronage of the American Art Bureau." F. Hopkinson Smith, the magizine writer and artist, was to deliver the opening lecture in Grand Army hall this afternoon, the others to follow on successive Saturdays. Art souvenirs were to be given to ticket-holders at each lecture.

When the ticket-holders gathered at Grand Army hall today they found the doors closed, and that the hall had not been leased for any lecture course.

Mason is about forty years of age, with black hair and mustache, and wears dark clothes of fashionable make.

FOREIGN FOLK.

Li Hung Chang is coming to the United States. The American peacock will look upon the famous Chinaman with envy.—Exchange.

In President Kruger we opine Joe Chamberlain has picked up a grounder that is too hot for him to handle.—Washington Post.

Judging by what he has said since he reached Havana, a fine prizefighter was spoiled when Weyler became a soldier.—Indianapolis News.

Emperor William now has another brilliant scheme on his mind. He wants to pick out a husband for the girl queen of Holland.—Buffalo Commercial.

Lord Salisbury is adjusting himself to the necessity of arbitration in a way that proves him to be a close reader of the American newspapers.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

According to the esteemed Queen Victoria, "co-operation" is the proper term to apply to almost any function where the contestants do not actually use clubs.—Grand Rapids Press.

POLE PROPS.

Now let us organize summer excursions to the north pole.—Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph

Down in Georgia they will use the north pole to knock persimmons off the trees if Dr. Nansen will lend it to them.—Sparta Herald-Advertiser

Perhaps we might compromise the Monroe doctrine to the extent of letting the European powers have the north pole on the strength of the icebergh line.—Detroit Free Press

Possibly Nansen changed the combination while at the pole and that may account for the American weather bureau's persistent miscalculation of meteorological phenomena.—Keokuk Gate City.

The north pole's discovery is doubtless of great importance to humanity, but humanity doesn't fully realize the great work that will have been accomplished when the pole is safely secured and lodged in the Vatican or the Smithsonian Institution or the British museum.—Des Moines Leader.

PLAYS AND PLAYERS.

The reported death of Alma Stuart Stanley is denied.

May Howard, the statuesque burlesquer, is quite ill at her home in New York city.

Fay Templeton is now featured—the next best thing to starring—in "Excelsior, Jr."

Charles Frohman promises that John Drew will appear in a new play within a month.

A FEW POKER DON'TS.

Don't ask what's trumps when playing poker. The other players may think you are jesting and frown upon you by means of a chair.

Don't expect to win every time you make a bet. There are lots of people still living who disobeyed this rule, but most of them are in the poorhouse.

Don't deal yourself more cards than you deal the others. Besides being an extremely selfish habit, it also causes adverse criticism and oftentimes sudden death.

Don't put all the chips you have in the center of the table for a bluff and then try to pull them back suddenly if somebody "sees" you. People have been severely injured for doing this very thing.

Don't open a jack pot with a pair of trays. Some players who have done this thing in a thoughtless moment are alive and well, others are in the hospital, and not a few have left this vain world entirely.

Don't, when playing with strangers, ask permission to examine their inside pockets and look up their sleeves for a cold deck. Such a proceeding is very rude and ungentlemanly and might cause some one to rise-up-Willis-Riley and smite you athwart the cheek.

Don't get angry when some one calls you and discovers that you have been talking eagerly with nothing in your hand save a flush that has the springhalt at one end. According to Hoyle, the rule in this case is to smile blandly, excuse yourself politely, retire into the hall and fall carelessly out of the second story window.—Exchange.

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The best salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by Burlingame and Darby

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Mr. G. Callouette, Druggist, Beaversville, Ill., says: "To Dr. King's New Discovery I owe my life. Was taken with La Grippe and tried all the physicians for miles about, but of no avail and was given up and told I could not live. Having Dr. King's New Discovery in my store I sent for a bottle and began its use and from the first dose began to get better, and after using three bottles was up and about again. It is worth its weight in gold. We won't keep store or house without it." Get a free trial at Burlingame & Darbys' Drug Store.

CALL FOR CONVENTION

For the Republican First Congressional District.

The First Mass. Congressional District delegates elected to the First Mass. Congressional District Republican Convention are requested to meet at a Convention to be held in City Hall, Holyoke Thursday, April 2nd at 2 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of choosing delegates and alternates from this District to vote for candidates for president and vice-president at the National Convention to be held in St. Louis in June next. Also to transact any other business that may come before the Convention.

The basis of representation will be the same as to the Republican State Convention in 1895.

First Congressional District Committee,

By LYMAN D. JAMES, Chairman,
H. C. PARSONS, Secretary.

Republican State Committee,

By GEORGE H. LYMAN, Chairman,
THOMAS TALBOT, Secretary.

Williamsburg, Mass., March 23rd, 1896.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

STATE HOUSE, BOSTON, March 18th, 1896.

The Committee on Education will give a hearing to parties interested in a bill relating to the compulsory employment of superintendents of schools by every city and town in this Commonwealth at Room No. 149, State House on Tuesday, March 24th, at 10.30 o'clock a. m.

ALFRED S. ROE, Chairman.
BURRILL PORTER, Jr.,
Clerk of the Committee.

MORTGAGEE'S SALE.

By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain Mortgage deed given by Minnie F. Spaulding, otherwise known as Minnie Spaulding to the Hoosac Savings Bank, dated July seventeenth A. D. 1895, and recorded at Adams with Northern Berkshire deeds in Book 210 and page 294 and assigned by said Hoosac Savings Bank to George F. Miller of North Adams, Mass. will be sold at Public Auction at the office of George F. Miller on Main street in said North Adams on the eleventh day of April A. D. 1896 at nine o'clock in the forenoon all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage, viz.:—That certain parcel of land situate in said North Adams, and bounded and described as follows, to wit: beginning at the south west corner of land conveyed by the Freeman Manufacturing Company to Nelson Caron by deed dated April 26th, 1887 and recorded with the Northern Berkshire registry of deeds, Book 153, page 249, thence running northerly on the west line of said lot as described in said deed ninety feet, thence easterly in a line parallel with said Hall street 47 feet, thence southerly in a line parallel with the first mentioned line ninety feet to said Hall street, thence westerly on said Hall street to the place of beginning. Also a right of way in common with Nelson Caron, Jeremiah Caron and their heirs and assigns forever in and over a strip of land eight feet wide adjoining the land above described on the east and running from land of said Jeremiah Caron to said Hall street. No barn shall be erected within fifteen feet of the rear of the said above described premises.

Breach has been made in the conditions of the said mortgage in the non-payment of the interest due under said mortgage as provided therein.

GEORGE F. MILLER
Assignee of said Mortgage.

North Adams, Mass., March 19, 1896.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
Berkshire, ss.
Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, and all other persons interested in the estate of Humphrey Anthony, late of Adams, in said county, deceased. Whereas a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court for probate, by William W. Anthony and William H. Pritchard, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to them, the executors therein named. You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Pittsfield in said county of Berkshire, on the seventh day of April A. D. 1896, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted. And said petitioners are hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once each week, for three successive weeks, in the North Adams Daily Transcript, a newspaper published in North Adams, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing, postpaid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, Edward T. Slocum, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this nineteenth day of March, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six.

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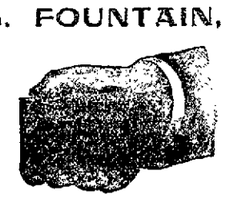
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12 lbs best lard,	1 00
13 lbs best pork,	1 00
5 lbs A1 coffee,	1 00
5 lbs A1 butter,	1 00
5 lbs milk or soda crackers,	25
4 qts beans,	25
5 qts peas,	25
Condensed milk, per doz cans,	90
7 lbs rolled oats,	25
Ozone, Bee, Liberty and Lenox soap, 26 cakes,	1 00
Gold Dust, packages,	19
Pearline, Soapine and Ivorine,	10
Washing soda, per lb,	02
5 lbs starch for laundry use,	25
5 lbs rice,	25
Huyler's cocoa, ½ lb can,	18
Chocolate, per lb,	52
American sardines, per doz cans,	45
Salmon 10c can, or doz cans,	1 15
Tomatoes, corn, beans, peas and succotash, per doz cans,	85
1 gal molasses, best in the market,	45
1 gal syrup, best in the market,	45
All kinds smoking tobacco, per lb.	32
All kinds spices, per lb.	20
Cleveland's baking powder, per lb.	30
Davis' O. K. baking powder,	18
Corned and roast beef, per can,	19
Buckwheat flour 25-lb sack,	50
3 lbs best tea,	1 00
Fresh eggs, per doz.	15
Potash or lye, 3 cans,	25
Sapolio, 3 cakes,	25
10 cakes Daisy soap,	25
6 bags salt,	25
Cocoa shells, per lb,	05
Gal cans choice apples,	20
Gal cans tomatoes,	20
3 bottles fresh catsup,	25
6 lbs raisins,	25
All kinds canned fruits, A No. 1, per doz cans,	1 50
30 lb pail currant jelly,	70
Ginger snaps, 5 lbs,	25
Graham wafers, per lb,	12
4 1-lb packages corn starch,	25
Baking soda, per lb,	07
Maple syrup in large bottles,	19
Chowchow, pepper relish and German mustard in large bottles, 3.	25
15-lb pail salt salmon,	75
3 lbs fresh mince meat,	25
Old Gov't Java or Mocha coffee,	32
Pillsbury's Best XXXX flour,	4 60
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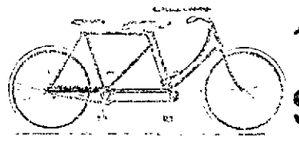
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NORTH ADAMS MAILS.

MAILS ARRIVE.

1.58 a. m. New York City and Troy, N. Y., excepting Monday's arrives 6.?? a. m. 8.20, New York City, Boston, South and West via Pittsfield. 1.35, New York and West via Fitchburg R. R. 11.44, Troy, N. Y. 11.44, Briggsville, Stamford, Hartwellville and Readsboro, Vt.

12.05 p. m., Boston, New York, Pittsfield and Southern Mass., Maine, New Hampshire and Way Stations on Fitchburg R. R. 1.30, Florida, Mass., Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. 2.45, Pittsfield. 4.10, New York, Southern and Western States. 5.50, Pittsfield, Worcester, Springfield, Holyoke, Connecticut, Rhode Island and Southern Mass. 7, Troy, Williamstown, Williamstown Station and Blackinton. 8.05, Boston, Maine, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Way Mail via Fitchburg R. R. 9.15, Boston & Albany R. R., Way Stations east and west of Pittsfield and Pittsfield. 11.40, Boston.

SUNDAY—9 a. m., Way Stations on Boston & Albany R. R., New York City and Troy, N. Y.

MAILS CLOSE.

6 a. m., Boston, Pittsfield, Adams, New York Albany and Southern Mass. 7.10, New York, Albany, Troy, Williamstown, Williamstown Station, Blackinton, Southern and Western States. 9.15, New York, Albany and all points West and South via Boston & Albany R. R. 9.35, Boston Canada, Readsboro, and all points East via Fitchburg R. R. 11.25, Boston, Maine, New Hampshire and Rhode Island. 11.50, Pittsfield, Adams Zylonite and Southern Berkshire. 12 m., New York and all points West and South.

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SUNDAY.—7 p. m., New York, Boston, Maine New Hampshire, and all points West and South

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ENGLAND IN EGYPT

Germany's Assent Not Given To Conserve British Interests.

TO UPHOLD THE DREIBUND'S PRESTIGE

German Press Express a More Cordial Feeling Toward Great Britain—Demand for the French Ambassador's Recall—Unpleasant Surprise.

Berlin, March 23.—The official announcement that Germany has given her assent to England's drawing on the Egyptain reserve fund to defray the cost of the British expedition up the Nile valley is worded in such a manner as to convey the impression that Germany's assent was not given to conserve English interests, but rather for the sake of upholding the prestige of the allies of Germany included in the dreibund, especially that of Italy. Two articles on the subject, which were subsequently published in the North German Gazette, were a great deal more cordial toward England and the intention seems to have been to dispel all traces of the recent German irritation toward England, to defend the Dongola expedition as an inevitable and indispensable movement, and to predict the ultimate recognition by Europe of the value of the operations of the expedition in controlling the destructive power of the Dervishes. Other inspired journals are now taking the same view. The National Zeitung denies the contention that France can possibly create international trouble because of the fact that Egyptain troops are seeking to reoccupy Egyptian territory.

German Press Views.

As late as 1894, during the dispute over the Congo agreement, the Zeitung says, the French government maintained that the Soudan provinces were legally Egyptian terrritory, although they were in the hands of barbarians. The Tageblatt holds that the evacuation of Egypt by the British is England's own affair, and the Kreuz Zeitung says that France cannot oppose a punitive expedition against Soudanese malefactors. The Cologne Gazette, in an article obviously inspired by the foreign office, contends that the Dongola expedition is absolutely imperative. "The union of the Dervish forces, which are now divided by the Egyptian advance," it says, "might have the effect to drive the Italians out of Kassala and so strengthen Abyssinia against Italy and ultimately enable France and Russia, who are now lurking in the background, to determine the fate of Khartoum and the whole region of the Upper Nile."

France Unpleasantly Surprised.

The key to all this sudden display of good will toward England is unquestionably German sympathy with Italy. If the battle of Adowa, fought on March 1, in which the Italians were disastrously defeated, had not occurred, Germany would not have countenanced the expedition up the valley of the Nile, and probably would have sided with France and Russia to prevent it. A curious incident connected with the situation has arisen from the overtures which were made by France, with the object of ascertaining Germany's intentions in regard to the expedition. The communications from the French foreign office, which passed through the hands of M. Herbette, French ambassador to Germany, were couched in language which indicated expectation that Germany would join the French protest against England's action. It consequently must have been a very unpleasant surprise to M. Berthelot, the French foreign minister, to learn that the assent of Germany had already been sent to London and to Cairo, and the fact certainly must have caused the French government to surmise that the emperor knew more, and at an earlier date, of the designs of Great Britain than could have been obtained through the ordinary diplomatic channels.

M. Herbette's Recall Asked For.

It is now conceded on all sides that M. Herbette must be recalled by his government, and very speedily, too. The position described in these dispatches on February 16 has become intolerable. M. Herbette has made himself so obnoxious to the emperor that his majesty is reported to have on more than one occasion absented himself from Berlin in order to avoid the duty of receiving him. M. Herbette's rank as dean of the diplomatic corps would naturally bring him oftener into personal contact with the emperor than if some other diplomat held the rank and there is reason to believe that a personal meeting with the emperor is as distasteful to the French ambassador as it is offensive to the emperor. The feud between them is of long standing. Besides this difficulty M. Herbette has made himself disagreeable to many of the German officials with whom he has come in contact because of his exceedingly brusque and altogether bad manners, and to Prince Hohenlohe, the imperial chancellor, he has become almost intolerable. The consequence has been that Prince Hohenlohe has formally asked M. Berthelot to appoint M. Herbette's successor, and the German ambassador to Paris has advised the chancellor that the difficulty experienced by M. Berthelot in sending to Berlin an ambassador who would be persona grata to the Berlin court is likely to be overcome by the acceptance of the position by M. Decrais, formerly French ambassador to London.

Paper Box Factory Burned.

Newark, N. J., March 23.—The two-story frame paper box manufactory of Jacob Zippel was burned yesterday. Loss on stock, building and machinery, $12,000; insurance, $7,500.

French Chamber of Commerce.

New York, March 23.—Twenty-five of the leading French business men of this city have organized a French chamber of commerce in the rooms of the French consulate in Bowling Green.

Committed Suicide at the Age of 77.

Wayland, N. Y., March 23.—Mrs. Mary Samhammer, aged 77 years, committed suicide by hanging, yesterday.

WEEK IN CONGRESS

The Dupont Case and Cuban Resolutions in the Senate.

NO PROGRAMME FOR THE HOUSE

Naval Appropriation Bill Not Likely To Be Reported Before the Latter Part of the Week—Other Affairs in Both Branches.

Washington, March 23.—The failure of the senate thus far to act upon the questions involved in the Dupont case and on the conference report on the Cuban resolutions retains them in the as unfinished business for this week. The senate's attitude towards the Cuban resolutions has been materially affected by the joint resolution offered at the close of Friday night's session by Mr. Morgan. It is understood that that he will press his resolution to vote if for no other purpose than to put the senate on record. The legislative and judicial appropriation bill, which is in charge of Mr. Cullom, will be called up at the first opportunity. The provision changing the compensation of United States marshals and district attorneys from fees to salaries, will, doubtless, cause debate, but otherwise there is little in the bill that should precipitate discussion. The bill to approve the compromise made between the United States and the state of Arkansas holds its place as the unfinished business, but Mr. Berry has not pressed it.

House of Representatives.

Beyond to-day, which, under the rules, is to be devoted to the consideration of business reported by the committee on affairs of the District of Columbia, there is no programme arranged for the house of representatives this week. Chairman Babcock says he will not have enough business to engage the attention of the house for an entire session, unless some wholly unexpected opposition to some one of the measures on the calendar from his committee should develop. The naval appropriation bill, owing to difficulties in the committeee having it in charge, mainly over the appropriation for battleships and for drydocks, has not been fully completed, and it is not expected to be reported before the latter end of the week. That had been depended on by the managers to occupy most of the time beginning to-morrow, and they have nothing of large importance to take its place. Two minor pension bills of a general nature are on the calendar, and an opportunity will doubtless be afforded to press them to passage. The committee on ways and means has before it for discussion and action at its meeting to-morrow the filled cheese bill, reported from the sub-committee last week. Those particularly interested in its progress believe that the full committee can agree upon a report then; should that be done, the bill will doubtless be taken up a day or two later. It will be vigorously fought in the house, and long debate is certain to ensue whenever it does come up.

EMPIRE STATE LEGISLATURE.

Greater New York Bill Will, It Is Expected, Pass This Week.

Albany, March 23.—Some important legislation will receive attention at the hands of the legislature this week, even though but half of the usual sessoins are to be held on account of the meeting of the republican state convention to-morrow. Nearly all of the members went to New York city on Friday and will return Wednesday in time to attend the session in each house which convenes Wednesday afternoon. The feature of the week will be the Lexow Greater New York bill in the assembly, where it is a special order on final passage on Thursday, and the cities committee's substitute for the Page and the Pavey New York school bills in the senate. The republican leaders say that both measures will be passed.

TOOK CARBOLIC ACID.

Mrs. O'Neil Committed Suicide Because of Destitution.

Albany, March 23.—Destitute and hungry and worried because her children were suffering from the pangs of hunger while she could do nothing for them, Mrs. Minnie O'Neil ended her life yesterday afternoon. She swallowed nearly two ounces of carbolic acid, which, although it was diluted, was strong enough to cause her death an hour after she took the poison. The O'Neil family lived in a double tenement house, and was one of the families made poorer by the recent freshet.

Death Due to Heart Disease.

New York, March 23.—The cause of the death of Dr. Theodore C. Heyl, a retired surgeon in the United States navy, who expired suddenly at the home of his brother-in-law, was due to heart disease. Dr. Heyl came to this city from Philadelphia.

German Athletes at Athens.

Berlin, March 23.—The German competitors in the Olympian games at Athens will leave for that city on the 26th of March. They comprise the champion eleven gymnasts of Berlin, two skiff sculling champions, four runners and six champion bicycle riders.

To Receive Americans in Berlin.

Berlin, March 23.—Mrs. Evans, wife of Capt. R. K. Evans, military attache to the United States embassy, will receive the members of the American colony in Berlin to-morrow.

Emperor William Not To Visit Rome.

Berlin, March 23.—The emperor, in consequence of his annoyance at the disclosure of his intention to visit Rome incognito at Easter, has abandoned the idea.

Quay Victorious.

Lancaster, Pa., March 23.—At the republican primaries in this county congressman Marriott Brosius was renominated without opposition. Practically the entire Quay combination was elected. The vote for presidential preference is very close between Quay and McKinley. With twenty-three districts out Quay leads by 367, and it is probable that Quay will win by a small majority.

MAY AID THE REBELS

Honduran Troops Likely To Desert President Zelaya.

NICARAGUAN REVOLUTION SERIOUS

Insurgents Lose No Ground—They Have the Moral and Material Support of the Party Which Placed Zelaya in Power—Strict Censorship.

New York, March 23.—The revolution in Nicaragua, according to intelligence received through private channels, is more serious than the dispatches from that country would indicate. The strict press censorship established by President Zelaya renders it impossible for news of any character except what is favorable to the government, from being made public. Two facts, however, in the opinion of those thoroughly familiar with existing conditions, seem to be well established. First, that Zelaya is not suppressing the rebellion, and second, that the Honduran troops which arrived in Nicaragua on Friday last, as the supposed allies of Zelaya, are quite as likely to aid the rebels as to act in concert with the government troops. The first of these facts is based upon the almost certain knowledge that the revolutionists have not lost ground; that they are confident of success since, in every engagement, they have been the aggressors; that they have the moral and material support of the great majority of the liberal party, which placed Zelaya in power, and that the government forces have maintained from the beginning a purely defensive attitude.

Hondurians May Aid Rebels.

The Hondurian troops are now in Nicaragua and at a point midway between Leon and Corinto, in the territory occupied by the rebels. Their present attitude is one of strict neutrality but it is regarded as not improbable that their aid may in the end be given to Baca, the provisional president of the insurgent government. Color is given to this belief by the intimate relations that have long existed between Gen. Orteiz, the commander of the insurgents, and President Bonilla of Honduras who, in point of fact, owes his present elevation to the services rendered in his behalf several years ago by Orteiz. If Honduras espouses Baca's cause, the latter will, it is believed, become victorious, since his troops are armed with modern guns and animated by sentiments of the loftiest patriotism, inasmuch as they are fighting for constitutional liberty and to prevent the alleged dictatorship of Zelaya. Without the aid of Honduras the result is likely to be in doubt for several months at least. Another element of uncertainty is the influence which the Salvadorian peace commission may exert upon the contending factions. That their efforts will result in failure, is believed to be probable. Baca and those associated with him are determined upon the overthrow of Zelaya, while Zelaya, on the other hand, is equally determined upon the suppression of the rebellion, neither side being willing to concede any advantage to the other.

CIVIL SERVICE EXTENDED.

Clerical and Educational Positions at Indian Schools Now Under Its Operations.

Washington, March 23.—The president has issued an order directing the secretary of the interior to amend the classification of the interior department so as to include among the positions classified thereunder and subject to competitive examination all clerical and all educational positions at Indian agencies and Indian schools. The order also provides that Indians shall be eligible for appointment to any of these positions on such test of fitness as may be required by the secretary of the interior and without examination or certification by the civil service commission, but they shall not be transferred from said position to the departmental service.

THE CENSUS OFFICE FIRE.

Most Serious Loss Will Be to the Records Contained in the Building.

Washington, March 23.—The fire yesterday morning in the building occupied by the census office was more serious than at first supposed. The inside of the building was badly damaged, involving a loss of about $20,000, fully insured. Probably the most serious loss will be to the records of the census office contained in the building, some of which were destroyed and all more or less injured by smoke and water. The building was known as Marini's hall and was the place where the Knights of Pythias organization was born.

AGAINST AMERICAN MEATS.

Interesting Debate in the German Unterhaus on Imported Canned Goods.

Berlin, March 23.—An interesting debate arose in the unterhaus on Wednesday during the discussion of an interpellation asking the intentions of the government in regard to dealing with the question of American meats. Prof. Von Mendel launched a prolonged tirade of invective against American corned beef and all canned meats, and in the course of his remarks gave an instance of the wife of a Berlin journalist having been poisoned by the use of such goods. Other similar cases, he said, were not uncommon, and, amid the cheers of the agrarian members of the chamber, he urged that it was not sufficient that American meats should be certified as healthy by American inspectors, but that the whole carcass must be inspected by German inspectors before it could be admitted into the country. In regard to American oleomargarine, he declared that control of the inspection of that product by Americans was inadequate, Americans not having exercised proper sanitary precautions, their interests being solely commercial. Freiherr von Hammerstein-Loxten, minister of agriculture, replied that it was impossible to enclose Prussia within a Chinese wall. He held that the existing precautions were sufficient, and thought that the agrarians could make capital enough out of the alleged cases of Texas fever in German cattle, said to be traceable to the importation of American cattle.

TO ENDORSE MORTON

Programme of the New York Republican State Convention.

A NUMBER OF GUBERNATORIAL BOOMS

Messrs. Platt, Depew, Lauterbach and Miller Likely To Be Delegates-at-Large to St. Louis—Mr. Southwick for Permanent Chairman.

New York, March 23.—The majority of the delegates to the republican state convention, which will convence tomorrow to elect delegates-at-large to the national convention at St. Louis, have reached this city. They were very much in evidence at the different hotels to-day. During the day the principal topic of discussion indulged in was the national presidency. Morton men, of course, predominated, and the chances of New York's governor for the nomination was glowingly set forth. A number of gubernatorial booms were brought to town by leading delegates, but discussion upon the question did not assume any definite shape. All arrangements for to-morrow's convention are completed and the programme has been practically decided upon. Grand Central palace, where the delegates will assemble, has been elaborately decorated and a seating capacity of 4,000 provided. A large crowd of spectators are expected. The republican league of Albany, 400 strong, and other republican organizations throughout the state will send delegations. The convention will organize at noon with senator Cornelius R. Parsons of Rochester as temporary chairman. After transacting minor routine business, such as the presentation of contests and the appointment of the usual committees, an adjournment will be taken until 7:30 p. m.

The Platform.

When the convention reassembles congressman George N. Southwick of Albany will be the permanent chairman. Unless the slate is suddenly changed Thomas C. Platt, Chauncey M. Depew, Edward Lauterbach and Warner Miller will be chosen as delegates-at-large to the St. Louis convention. The naming of the thirty-four presidential electors, representing the congressional districts, and the two electors, representing the United States senators of New York state, will very likely be deferred until the republican state convention in the fall. Although the platform of the convention has not been decisively passed upon by the party leaders, the main features have been drawn up and sanctioned. The leading feature will be the financial plank, which will be a strong declaration in favor of honest money. In addition to expressing unalterable opposition to free silver coinage at the ratia of sixteen to one, or any other ratio, except in the event of an international agreement, it will insist on the maintenance of the public faith with creditors of the nation by maintaining gold payment of all public debts. In this respect it will be a far more pronounced expression than any other financial plank adopted at a state convention thus far during the presidential canvass. The tariff plank will be a strong declaration in favor of the policy of protection to American industry and for reciprocity. This plank will be very short. Another plank will endorse Gov. Morton's candidacy for the presidency, setting forth his qualities as a business man, representing busines interests. The name of Major McKinley is not likely to be brought forward in the convention, but if it does come up, the leaders say, it will be in a very feeble way. The Raines bill, it is said, will not be touched upon, but the greater New York bill is likely to come in for considration.

HONOR SATISFIED.

Gen. Mocenni Wounds Deputy Barzilais in the Face with a Sabre.

Rome, March 23.—The duel between Gen. Mocenni, ex-minister of war, and Signor Barzilais, a radical member of the chamber of deputies, growing out of a wrangle in the chamber during the discussion of the credits asked for by the government, took place yesterday. The weapons used were sabres. Gen. Mocenni proved himself the better swordsman and wounded his opponent in the face. Honor being thus satisfied the duellists became reconciled.

GLADSTONE DENOUNCED.

A Waterbury Clergyman Calls Him the Archhypocrite of the Age.

Waterbury, Conn., March 23.—Rev. William J. Slocum, pastor of the Roman Catholic church of the Immaculate Conception, in his sermon yesterday scathingly denounced William E. Gladstone. He alleged that his attitude towards home rule had been dictated by expediency and not principle. He referred to Gladstone as the archhypocrite of the age.

Broke His Neck.

Erie, Pa., March 23.—Henry F. Freeman, 52 years of age, foreman in Asby & Vincent's printing house, had his neck broken yesterday by falling down stairs at his home, and died a few hours later. He had occasion to get up and made a misstep on the stairs. He leaves a widow and two chilpren.

Peace Negotiations Broken Off.

Rome, March 23.—The Italia says that Gen. Baldissara has broken off the peace negotiation with King Menelik, the latter's demands being excessive. They include the payment by Italy of 25,000 lire in gold.

New York Goes to Sea.

Fort Monroe, March 23.—The flagship N[illegible] York went to sea last evening for [illegible]o days' target practice.

England's Egyptian Campaign.

Cairo, March 23.—The North Staffordshire regiment, numbering 900 officers and men, started yesterday for Girgoh, where they will embark on steamers for the journey up the Nile for Wady Halfa.

Two Vessels Given Up as Lost.

Philadelphia, March 23.—Two Philadelphia sailing vessels, the barks Havana and Robert S. Patterson, have been given up for lost, together with their crews, numbering thirty persons.

ADMIRAL MAKAROFF'S VIEWS.

The Russian Commander Greatly Impressed by Our New Battleship.

Philadelphia, March 23.—Rear-Admiral Makaroff of the Russian navy, who was aboard the battleship Massachusetts during her builders' trial trip, in speaking of the vessel's performance, said: "I was greatly pleased with the ship. Ten years ago we were accustomed to see very old-fashioned ships in your navy, and we are now glad to see that our friends have such fine ships everywhere." He thought the new American ships as good as any seen anywhere else, and in some respects better than ships of other nations. As a battleship he considers the Massachusetts superior to many others, especially in her range of fire, and he though she had an astonishingly good fore and aft fire. To get this, however, he thinks she has slightly sacrificed her freeboard, but, as she is for coast defense, he thinks this defect is perhaps not important. As compared to the great Russian battleships in the Black sea, which he considers the best for concentration of fire in Europe, the admiral admitted that he considered our new battleship superior in concentration in firing.

DID NOT WANT TO SURVIVE HER.

Antonio Rexach Tries To Commit Suicide on His Dead Wife's Body.

New York, March 23.—Antonio Rexach, a cigarmaker, who came to this country seven years ago with his wife, Encarnation, was found nearly axphyxiated on his wife's dead body in their home yesterday. The woman had died during the night from an internal cancer. Her husband, who had told his friends that he would not survive her, stopped up all the interstices through which air could penetrate into the room, and, after writing to the coroner and his friends, telling them that his wife had died in his arms while he was giving her some beef tea, disconnected the stovepipe and lay down across his wife's dead body to wait for death. He was found in an unconscious condition shortly before noon by his landlord, who, not being able to obtain any response to his rapping at the door when he called, summoned a policeman and broke into the place. Rexach was removed to St. Vincent's hospital and will recover. His mother and brother are well known in Barcelona, Spain, where the would-be suicide some years ago had a prosperous business.

BRILLIANT CEREMONY.

M. J. Hoban, D. D., Consecrated Coadjutor Bishop of Scranton.

Scranton, Pa., March 23.—The consecration of M. J. Hoban, D. D., as coadjutor bishop of the Scranton diocese took place yesterday in this city and was the most brilliant ceremony that ever occurred in Scranton. It began in St. Peter's cathedral and consumed nearly four hours. The vast auditorium was crowed to the doors and thousands would have liked to have secured tickets of admission, but were refused. Interest in the occasion was increased by the fact that the consecration mass was by Cardinal Satolli. Archbishop Ryan of Philadelphia also participated in the consecration ceremonies. Bishop Horstman of Cleveland preached the sermon.

THE RAINES BILL.

Gov. Morton May Affix His Signature to the Measure To-day.

Albany, March 23.—It is intimated that Gov. Morton will make known his action on the Raines liquor tax bill some time to-day. The inference from this is that the bill will be signed, as otherwise it is argued that the governor would be likely to await for the reassembling of the legislature on Wednesday, to which body a veto message must find its way. Most people expect that the announcement of the governor's action on the bill will be accompanied by a lengthy memorandum, setting forth his views as to this sort of excise legislation.

EIGHT ARMENIANS KILLED.

Story of a Brawl at Kilis from Turkish Sources.

Washington, March 23.—The Turkish legation has received from the sublime porte the following telegram: The day before yesterday an Armenian, having wounded with a pistol shot a Mussulman at Kilis a brawl took place between Mussulmans and Armenians. Of the latter eight were killed and ten wounded. Four Mussulmans were also wounded. The authors of this incident were immediately arrested and sent to prison for trial. All goods that were stolen from a few shops were discovered and restored to their owners.

MISS STEVENSON TO WED?

Her Engagement to ex-Gov. Hardin's Son Reported at Oxford, O.

Chicago, March 23.—A special dispatch from Oxford, O., says it is reported there that Miss Ruth Stevenson, daughter of the vice-president of the United States, and Martin Hardin, son of ex-Gov. Wat Hardin of Kentucky, are to be married early this summer, probably in June. Mr. Hardin and Miss Stevenson visited the Misses Hardin at Oxford college here last Saturday. Mr. Hardin is a theological student at Center college, Danville. He will be graduated and then ordained as a minister this year.

Severe Fight with Maceo's Forces.

Madrid, March 23.—A dispatch to the Imparcial from Havana says that Gen. Villa has had another severe fight with Maceo's force in the vicinity of Bahia Honda, to the westward of Havana. No details of the battle are given.

The Washington Handicap.

Washington, March 23.—H. G. Crickmore, clerk of the Washington Jockey club, announces that the Blemton stables have declared Henry of Navarre and Dorian out of the race for the Washington handicap.

Cyclist Banker Not Dead.

Pittsburg, March 23.—A cablegram dated Paris has been received in this from Mr. Charron, the manager of Geo. A. Banker, the American cyclist, in which he denies the report sent out from Nice to the effect that Banker had died in that city of typhoid fever. Mr. Charron's cablegram also stated that while the cyclist had been very ill with the fever, he was now slightly better.



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